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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS	M. Hamamoto, et al.	EXAMINER:	Rodriguez, Glenda P.
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FOR:	MAGNETIC SIGNAL RECORDING METHOD AND MAGNETIC RECORDING-REPRODUCING APPARATUS		

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CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME WHEN FILING RCE

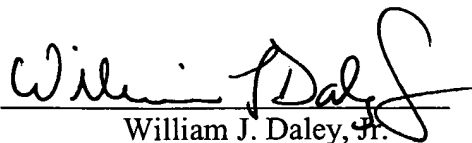
Sir:

Applicants are concurrently filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in connection with the above identified application.

Applicants, however, do not believe an Extension of Time is required to maintain pendency of the subject application in that Applicants have not received an Advisory Action in the above-identified application since the filing of the Response on November 9, 2004. Applicants, however, conditionally petition for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked and is required so the document(s) concurrently filed herewith are considered by the Examiner. If such a petition is required, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1105 for any required fee.

Respectfully submitted,
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